

issues (by a recorded vote of 253 ayes to 168 noes, Roll No. 869).

Pages H12515–17, H12529–30

Rejected:

Barton (TX) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that sought to place provisions in the bill allowing the new Federal chemical facility regulations enacted by this bill to preempt state and local laws that “hinder, pose obstacles to, or frustrate the purpose of the federal program” (by a recorded vote of 165 ayes to 262 noes, Roll No. 870);

Pages H12517–19, H12530

Dent amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that sought to strike Title I, affecting chemical facilities, and replace it with an extension of the Department of Homeland Security’s current regulatory authority under section 550(b) of the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2007 (by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 871);

Pages H12520–22, H12530–31

Dent amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that sought to strike section 2111, which requires assessments and implementation of methods to reduce the consequences of a terrorist attack (by a recorded vote of 193 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 872); and

Pages H12522–24, H12531–32

McCaul amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–327) that sought to strike the citizen enforcement section of the bill (by a recorded vote of 196 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 873).

Pages H12526–27, H12532

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 885, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Thursday, November 5th.

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938, as amended, is to continue in effect for 1 year beyond November 14, 2009—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–75).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H12494, H12494–95, H12496–97, H12497–98, H12429–30, H12530, H12530–31, H12531–32, H12532, H12534 and H12534–35. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:26 a.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE PRINT—FINANCIAL STABILITY IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2009

Committee on Financial Services: Continued consideration of the Committee Print of the Financial Stability Improvement Act of 2009.

Will continue November 17.

PROHIBITING IMPORTS OF PYTHON SNAKES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on H.R. 2811, To amend title 18, United States Code, to include constrictor snakes of the species Python genera as an injurious animal. Testimony was heard from Representative Meek of Florida; Dan Ashe, Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

THE “AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE FOR AMERICA ACT” AND THE “MEDICARE PHYSICIAN PAYMENT REFORM ACT OF 2009”

The Committee on Rules: granted, by a record vote of 6 to 4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3962, the Affordable Health Care for America Act, under a structured rule. The rule provides four hours of debate in the House to be equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means, and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI.

The rule provides that the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report, perfected by the modification printed in part B of the report, shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended and provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read.

The rule makes in order the further amendment printed in part C of the Rules Committee report if offered by Representative Stupak of Michigan or his designee, which shall be in order without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 9 of rule XXI, shall be considered as read, shall be separately debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question. The rule makes in order the further amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part D of the Committee report, if offered

by Representative Boehner of Ohio or his designee, which shall be in order

without intervention of any point of order, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions, which shall be considered as read.

The rule provides that during consideration of an amendment printed in the Committee report accompanying this rule, the Chair may postpone the question of adoption as though under clause 8 of rule XX.

The rule also provides for consideration of H.R. 3961, the Medicare Physician Payment Reform Act of 2009 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI, and provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 3961, the Clerk shall add the text of H.R. 2920, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 3961. Testimony was heard from Chairmen Rangel and George Miller of California; Representatives Pallone, Stupak, Berkley, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Kagen, Klein of Florida, Johnson of Georgia, Kaptur, Dahlkemper, Barton of Texas, Deal of Georgia, Walden, Burgess, Blackburn, Gingrey of Georgia, Scalise, Pitts, Camp, Brady of Texas, Kline of Minnesota, McKeon, Roe of Tennessee, Sessions, Foxx, Emerson, Kirk, Lipinski, Fleming, Smith of New Jersey, and King of Iowa.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the employment situation for October 2009, after receiving testimony from Keith Hall, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings are scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 9 through November 14,
2009

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3082, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act. Also, at 4:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Andre M. Davis, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: November 10, Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine ending veterans' homelessness, 10 a.m., SD-538.

November 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting consumers from overdraft fees, focusing on the Fairness and Accountability in Receiving Overdraft Coverage Act, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: November 10, to hold hearings to examine bipartisan process proposals for long-term fiscal stability, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: November 10, to hold hearings to examine policy options for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: November 9, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine S. 1816, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve and reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Program, and S. 1311, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to expand and strengthen cooperative efforts to monitor, restore, and protect the resource productivity, water quality, and marine ecosystems of the Gulf of Mexico, 3 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: November 10, to hold hearings to examine climate change legislation, focusing on considerations for future jobs, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: November 10, to hold hearings to examine protocol Amending the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed at Paris on August 21, 1994, as Amended by the Protocol signed on December 8, 2004, signed January 13, 2009, at Paris, together with a related Memorandum of Understanding, signed January 13, 2009 (Treaty Doc. 111-04), protocol Amending the Convention between the